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**Response to Final Rejection dated December 23, 2008**

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated December 23, 2008, please consider the amendments and responsive remarks provided herewith.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.